Import of gold through Airports

4450. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantum of gold that came to India through the four major airports of the country since the new gold policy was announced;

(b) what is the amount of revenue earned by Government as a result of the gold import at these airports separately; and

(c) what is the break up of Indian citizen and N.R.Is. (separately) who brought gold into India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) Under the new gold policy, 43.312 Kg. of gold has been imported through four major airports upto March 25, 1992.

(b) The amount of revenue earned therefrom is as under:—

Name of the Airport	Amount of duty earned (in Rs.)
Bombay.....	12,01,095.00
Delhi	4,23,694.00
Madras	1,73,398.50
Calcutta.....	6,948.00

(c) No. of Indian citizens and NRIs who brought gold into India:

Name of the Airport	Indian citizens	NRIs
Bombay	114	12
Delhi	36	51
Madras	7	15
Calcutta	3	1

India's External Debt

4551. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state India's total external debt as at the end of December, 1988, October, 1990, June, 1991 and as on date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): India's external debt outstanding as at the end of December 1988, October 1990 and June 1991 was Rs. 66,441 crores, Rs. 89,681 crores and Rs. 1,07,963 crores respectively. The information as on date is not available as the accounts for the period are yet to be finalised.

Members expelled from Guwahati Stock Exchange

4552. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of members of Guwahati Stock Exchange expelled during the last five years ending February, 1992, year-wise along with the respective dates of expulsion, member-wise;

(b) what are the reasons of such expulsions;

(c) what are the details of rules/ procedures being followed by the said Exchange while initiating the process of suspension/expulsion of its members;

(d) whether the said Exchange has complied with the provisions contained in Articles 31 and 155 of its Articles of Association before expelling the members as in part (a) above; if so, the details of such compliance in relation to each expelled member and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) what action Government propose against the Council of Management of the said Exchange if the council has been expelling members as in part (a) above without complying the requirements of Articles 31 and 155, if so, action is proposed, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether government propose to direct the said Exchange to revoke

forthwith the expulsions of its members done without complying to the provisions of its own articles of association; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (f) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Income-tax assessment of Promoters of Hotel at Kanpur

4553. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Income-tax Department, Kanpur has determined the total amount of investment made in the construction of hotel building in M.G. Park, Cantonment, Kanpur;

(b) whether it is a fact that the assessees have been evading taxes without any legal check;

(c) what are the details of assessment made in respect of the assessees during the past 5 years;

(d) what are the sources of investment determined under the Income-tax Act for the building; and

(e) what steps are being taken to enforce the law against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) No, Sir. As the hotel building, 'Upwan', being constructed by M/s Pandit Restaurant, 49/7, General Ganj, Kanpur, at M.G. Park, Cantonment, Kanpur, is still not complete, the amount of investment in the building has not been determined so far.

(b) There is no information with the Department that the assessees have been evading taxes.

(c) The details of the assessments made during the past 5 years are given in the statement annexed. *(See* below)

(d) The investment is from business accounts and is reflected in the balance-sheet of the assessee.

(e) If any infringement of the provisions of the Income-tax Act is noticed, appropriate action will be taken.

Statement

SI. No.	Assessment Year	Section	Income Returned	Income Assesse
1.	1987-88	143(1)	62,060	62,060
2.	1988-89	143(1)	49.940	49.940
3.	1989-90	143(1)	64,950	64,950
4.	1990-91	143(1)	74.220	74.220
5.	1991-92	143(3)	70,310	70,310

Increase in Staff Strength of United Bank of India's Rural Branch

4554. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a rural branch of United Bank of India in the close vicinity of Falta Export Processing Zone is unable to serve the constituents for want of required number of staff;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the branch has raised deposits of more than Rs. 8 crores;

(c) whether any representations have been received by Government for increasing the number of staff in the branch for better service; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) Information is being collected, and to the extent available, will be laid on the Table of the House.

फसल के नष्ट होने की समस्या का सामना कर रहे किसानों के लिए ऋण माफी योजना

4555. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव:** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार उन किसानों के ऋण माफ करने पर विचार कर रही है, जिनकी 50 प्रतिशत फसल नष्ट हो चुकी है; और

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री दलबीर सिंह): (क) और (ख) जिन कृषकों की 50 प्रतिशत फसल नष्ट हो गई है, उन कृषकों के ऋणों को माफ करने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन नहीं है। सरकार तथा भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक ऋण की आम माफी अथवा उन्हें